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FM AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 8598

INFO AMEMBASSY LUSAKA NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY PRETORIA NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM IMMEDIATE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KINSHASA 5662

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CG OVIP (SCHAUFELE)

SUBJ: TRAVEL OF ASST SECRETARY SCHAUFELE

REF: STATE 164201

1. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NOT YET HAD CONFIRMATION FROM MOBUTU (WHO TOGETHER WITH ADVISORS IS OFF ON HIS BOAT FOR EXTENDED CRUISE), WE ARE CONFIDENT PERIOD PROPOSED FOR STOP HERE, JULY 12-14, WILL BE ACCEPTABLE. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT MOBUTU PLANS TO VISIT DAR ES SALAAM BEGINNING JULY 8 AND THEN WILL BE IN SHABA REGION (LUBUMBASHI) JULY 11-17 BEFORE MOVING ON TO KASAI. IF THESE PLANS HOLD FIRM, IT APPEARS LIKELY THAT MOBUTU WILL WANT TO MEET WITH SCHAUFELE IN LUBUMBASHI INSTEAD OF KINSHASA. THIS SHOULD WORK OUT WELL IF MOPUTO STOP MATERIALIZES, FOR MEETING WITH MOBUTU COULD BE HELD IN LUBUMBASHI EITHER EVENING JULY 12 OR MORNING JULY 13. OUR DATT AIRCRAFT COULD THEN FLY SCHAUFELE FROM LUBUMBASHI TO KINSHASA LATER JULY 13 IN TIME TO MAKE-KINSHASA-DOULALA CONNECTION MORNING JULY 14.

2. IF MOPUTO STOP DOES NOT MATERIALIZE, SUGGEST WE CONSIDER WAYS TO GET SCHAUFELE FROM NAIROBI DIRECTLY TO LUBUMBASHI JULY 12 INSTEAD OF COMING TO KINSHASA. OUR DATT AIRCRAFT COULD DO THIS, ALTHOUGH THERE MIGHT BE SOME OVERFLIGHT CLEARANCE PROBLEMS. AN ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE FOR SCHAUFELE TO FLY COMMERCIALLY NAIROBI

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TO LUSAKA JULY 12, WHERE DATT PLAN COULD PICK HIM UP FOR SHORT

FLIGHT TO LUBUMBASHI SAME DAY. WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE
ADDRESSEES' COMMENTS ON THESE OPTIONS.

3. WE WILL CONFIRM LUBUMBASHI AS MEETING SITE AS SOON AS WE CAN.
IN ANY CASE, AMBASSADOR WOULD BE PLEASED TO HAVE SCHAUFELE STAY
AT THE RESIDENCE FOR WHATEVER TIME HE IS IN KINSHASA. EMBASSY
HAS RECONFIRMED RESERVATION ON QC 040, KINSHASA-DOUALA, FOR
MORNING JULY 14.

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